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**Applicant** : Buckner, Lynn A.  
**Application No.** : 10/624,868  
**Filed** : 22 July 2003  
**Title** : Air over water Excavation [Demolition]

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Commissioner:

In the title please substitute Excavation for [Demolition]

In response to the Examiners Election/Restriction requirement, Applicant elects claims 12, 14-16 and 18-21 without traverse.

In response to the Examiners Election of species requirement, Applicant elects Species I, Fig. 1. Applicant identifies claims 12, 14-16 and 18-21 as being readable thereon.

In the Claims, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Claims 11, 13 and 17 have been cancelled.

Please amend claims 14-16 and 18-21 as follows in the attachment below.

Please add claim 22.

It is believed that the claims are now in a condition of allowance.